

of the commercial launch industry, which we see as an investment, not a gamble. In the past, such investments paved the way for new innovations in agriculture, architecture, media technology, and even health care. The pace maker is just one of the many life saving technologies that have resulted from that same small step. This mastery of "rocket science" is what placed our nation in the driver's seat of technology and economics.

We must also not forget that America's leadership in space plays an important role in our nation's national security. We have already seen the preeminent role that space based technology plays in modern warfare and intelligence gathering.

IN MEMORY OF MR. ART FURUYA

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 26, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Art Furuya, a decorated soldier, devoted husband and loving father.

Mr. Furuya was interned at the onset of World War II because of his Japanese heritage. At the age of 17, Furuya enlisted in the U.S. Army and served as a member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, a unit comprised entirely of Japanese-Americans and the most highly decorated unit in World War II. During the war, he became a lifelong friend with a fellow member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, Senator DANIEL INOUE. Mr. Furuya received two purple hearts for wounds he suffered on the battlefields of Italy and France.

After World War II, Mr. Furuya married his wife, Penny. They lived in Nashville for over 50 years, where they raised their family and were members of St. Paul United Church of Christ.

I extend my heartfelt condolences to Mr. Furuya's daughter, Anne; his sons, Don and Jim; and his two grandchildren. He was an example of how Americans can rise up to serve their country, even in the face of such great adversity.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 26, 2009

Ms. RICHARDSON. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House for 1 minute and revise and extend my remarks.

On Wednesday, October 21, 2009, I was in Long Beach, California hosting Deputy Transportation Secretary John D. Porcari and Maritime Administrator David T. Matsuda at an important national transportation conference held in my district.

On Thursday, October 22, and Friday, October 23, I was in American Samoa and Samoa monitoring the ongoing relief and recovery efforts of FEMA and others currently underway in response to the devastating earthquake and tsunami that struck those islands on September 29. As the Member of Congress with the nation's largest concentration of Samoan

Americans on the mainland and as a member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, undertaking this fact-finding mission was directly related to my representational, legislative, and committee responsibilities.

Because of these excused absences I was unable to return in time for rollcall votes 793 through 813.

Had I been present I would have voted as follows:

1. On rollcall No. 793, I would have voted "aye." S. 1793. Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009.

2. On rollcall No. 794, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 811. Expressing support for designation of October 2009 as "National Principals Month."

On rollcall No. 795, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 837. Recognizing Kentucky Wesleyan College for their service as an institution of higher education for over 150 years.

On rollcall No. 796, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 660. Recognizing the distinguished history of the Laurinburg Normal Industrial Institute.

On rollcall No. 797, I would have voted "aye." S. Con. Res. 43. Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to former Senator Edward Brooke.

On rollcall No. 798, I would have voted "aye." Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule for H.R. 3585—Solar Technology Roadmap Act of 2010 (H. Res. 846).

On rollcall No. 799, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 846. Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3585—Solar Technology Roadmap Act of 2010.

On rollcall No. 800, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 797. Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and enhancing the state of cyber security in the United States, and supporting the goals and ideals of the sixth annual National Cyber Security Awareness Month (Representative CLARKE—Science and Technology).

On rollcall No. 801, I would have voted "no." Broun (GA) amendment. Changes the number of years for which the Committee is authorized from five to three; reduces to \$250,000,000 the amount authorized in each of the three years, from 2011 to 2013.

On rollcall No. 802, I would have voted "aye." Kaptur (OH) amendment. Requires the Roadmap Committee to provide recommendations to strengthen the use of research and development strategies in making domestic industry more competitive and to assist in the commercialization of solar technologies.

On rollcall No. 803, I would have voted "aye." Klein (FL) amendment. Includes research on solar energy storage technology as eligible for funding under the Secretary of Energy's research and development program.

On rollcall No. 804, I would have voted "aye." Titus (NV)/Teague (NM)/Cohen (TN) amendment. Includes the development of solar technology products that are water efficient as a focus of the bill.

On rollcall No. 805, I would have voted "aye." Heinrich (NM) amendment. Requires the Solar Technology Roadmap Committee to release a draft Roadmap to the public at least one month prior to publication in order to receive public input.

On rollcall No. 806, I would have voted "aye." Himes (CT) amendment. Clarifies that solar thermal technologies and concentrating

solar photovoltaic technologies will be included within the scope of the research and development program authorized by the bill.

On rollcall No. 807, I would have voted "aye." Final Passage of H.R. 3585. Solar Technology Roadmap Act of 2010.

On rollcall No. 808, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 175. Condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.

On rollcall No. 809, I would have voted "aye." Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule for H.R. 3619—Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 (H. Res. 853).

On rollcall No. 810, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 853. Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3619—Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010.

On rollcall No. 811, I would have voted "aye." H. Res. 836. Expressing support for Teen Read Week.

On rollcall No. 812, I would have voted "aye." Kratovil (MD) amendment. Requires the Coast Guard to study the facility infrastructure requirements needed to fulfill the Coast Guard's missions and capabilities, and ensure that the department in which the Coast Guard is operating maintains the ability to utilize the latest technologies.

On rollcall No. 813, I would have voted "aye." Final Passage of H.R. 3619. Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 26, 2009

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, on October 22, 2009, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to record my vote for rollcall No. 805. Had I been present I would have voted:

Rollcall No. 805: "yes"—Heinrich of New Mexico Amendment.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JUDY BIGGERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 26, 2009

Mrs. BIGGERT. Madam Speaker, as indicated by the record on Thursday evening October 22nd, 2009, I was absent from votes on personal business for the remainder of the week. Had I been present, I would have voted the following way: Rollcall 809: On ordering the previous question—"nay;" Rollcall 810: Providing for consideration of H.R. 3619, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 (H. RES. 853)—"nay;" Rollcall 811: Expressing support for Teen Read Week (H. RES. 836)—"yea;" Rollcall 812: On agreeing to the Kratovil amendment—"yea;" Rollcall 813: On final passage Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 (H. R. 3619)—"yea."